UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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RICHARD EVALOBO and PRISCILLA SANTOS CORTEZ,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP; REBECCA P. KERN, ESQUIRE; and U.S. BANK, N.A.,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:16-cv-00539-APG-VCF

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS

(ECF No. 23)

I previously dismissed the plaintiffs' complaint and gave them leave to file an amended complaint if they could cure the defects I pointed out to them. ECF No. 19. Subsequently, the plaintiffs filed a motion seeking leave to file an amended complaint. ECF No. 20. I denied that request because their proposed amended complaint did not cure the defects I had identified for them. ECF No. 21. In that second order, entered on January 13, 2017, I wrote that I would give the plaintiffs "one final chance to amend their complaint and address the issues detailed in my prior Order (ECF No. 19)," and that the plaintiffs "must file the amended complaint within 14 days of entry of this order." *Id.* at 2. The plaintiffs did not do so. On February 27, the defendants filed a motion to dismiss the case for failure to prosecute. ECF No. 23. Because the plaintiffs have repeatedly failed to comply with my orders, I grant that motion.

Where a plaintiff "fails to prosecute or comply with these rules or a court order, a defendant may move to dismiss the action or any claim against it." Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b). Failure to file an amended complaint within the time allotted by the court can be grounds to dismiss under Rule 41(b). *See Yourish v. Cal. Amplifier*, 191 F.3d 983, 988 (9th Cir. 1999).

The plaintiffs have had several opportunities to file a proper complaint but have not done so. They contend they were recently out of the country for several weeks, causing them to miss the filing deadline I imposed in my January 13 order. But even in the face of the defendants'

motion to dismiss, the plaintiffs still do not propose a proper amended complaint. Rather, they use their opposition to engage in a lengthy diatribe against the legal system. Their opposition clearly demonstrates that they have no intention of following my orders to file a proper amended complaint.

Based upon the plaintiffs' repeated failure to file an amended complaint curing the defects that I previously pointed out, I will dismiss this case without prejudice.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the defendants' motion to dismiss for failure to prosecute (ECF No. 23) is GRANTED. The plaintiffs' claims are dismissed without prejudice. The clerk of court is directed to close this case.

DATED this 12th day of April, 2017.

ANDREW P. GORDON UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE